

Claims 1-4 (canceled).

Claim 5 (currently amended) The stand of ~~claim 4~~ claim 35, wherein the ~~at least one opening boot~~ is formed at an angle with respect to the base such that the vertical support may compensate for an uneven surface on which the base is disposed.

Claim 6 (currently amended) The stand of ~~claim 4~~ claim 35, wherein a wedge-shaped member is disposed adjacent to the vertical support in the ~~at least one opening boot~~ to secure the vertical support therein and to dispose the vertical support at a desired angle with respect to the base.

Claim 7 (currently amended) The stand of ~~claim 4~~ claim 35, wherein the ~~at least one opening boot~~ has a top portion which is wider than a bottom portion such that the vertical support may be disposed at an angle within the ~~opening boot~~ to compensate for an uneven surface on which the base is disposed.

Claim 8 (currently amended) The stand of ~~claim 4~~ claim 35, wherein the holder has at least one section in which at least one panel may be removably received.

Claim 9 (original) The stand of claim 8, wherein the at least one panel is a target for a weapon.

Claim 10 (original). The stand of claim 8, wherein the at least one panel is an advertisement.

Claim 11 (currently amended) The stand of ~~claim 4~~ claim 35, wherein the holder has a sleeve formed thereon, the vertical support being received in the sleeve.

Claims 12-14 (canceled).

Claim 15 (original) A stand for supporting a target used with firing of weapons, the stand comprising:

a base having means therein for receiving weights to stabilize the stand on a surface, the base further having means therein to receive a vertical support, the vertical support having a desired length,

a holder adjustably connected to the vertical support at a desired height above the surface, the holder having at least one section in which the target is removably disposed, and means for adjusting the stand wherein the target is aligned in a vertical plane and in a horizontal plane.

Claim 16 (original) The stand of claim 15, wherein the base has a hollow portion and the weights to stabilize the stand is material disposed in the hollow portion.

Claim 17 (original) The stand of claim 15, wherein the base has an open compartment in which weights may be disposed.

Claim 18 (original) The stand of claim 15, wherein the means for receiving the vertical support in the base is at least one opening in the base in which the vertical support is disposed.

Claim 19 (canceled).

Claim 20 (original) The stand of claim 15, wherein the means in the base to receive the vertical support is a tapered opening having a top and a bottom, the top being wider than the bottom, the vertical support being angularly received in the opening.

Claim 21 (original) The stand of claim 15, wherein a wedge-shaped member is disposed adjacent to the vertical support in the means to receive the vertical support to secure the vertical

support therein and to dispose the vertical support at a desired angle with respect to the base to align the target in the vertical plane and in the horizontal plane.

Claim 22 (original) The stand of claim 15, wherein the holder has at least one sleeve formed therein, the vertical support being received in the at least one sleeve such that the holder may be connected to the vertical support at the desired height above the surface.

Claims 23-25 (canceled).

Claim 26 (original) A stand for supporting targets comprising:

- a base having means thereon to receive weights,
- a vertical support carried by the base,
- a holder removably attached to the vertical support,
- a target removably carried by the holder, and

means to level the stand on uneven surfaces, wherein the stand is portable and quickly and easily assembled and disassembled to be carried to and from a firing range.

Claim 27 (original) The stand of claim 26, wherein the base has at least one hollow portion into which material may be disposed to act as a weight.

Claim 28 (original) The stand of claim 26, wherein the base has at least one open compartment into which items may be disposed to act as a weight.

Claim 29 (original) The stand of claim 26, wherein the base has at least one opening formed angularly therein such that the vertical support may be receive therein to level the stand.

Claim 30 (canceled).

Claim 31 (original) The stand of claim 26, wherein the base has a plurality of adjustable legs connected thereto such that the base may be leveled on uneven surfaces.

Claim 32 (currently amended) The stand of claim 26, wherein ~~an opening~~ a boot is formed in the base, the ~~opening~~ boot having a top and a bottom, the top being wider than the bottom, the vertical support being angularly received in the ~~opening~~ boot to level the stand.

Claim 33 (currently amended) The stand of claim 32, wherein a wedge is disposed between the vertical support and the ~~opening~~ boot to secure the vertical support at the angle.

Claim 34 (original) A stand for supporting a target used with firing of weapons, the stand comprising:

a base having means therein for receiving weights to stabilize the stand on a surface,
the base further having means therein to receive a vertical support, the vertical support having a desired length, and

means for adjustably attaching a target to the vertical support.

Claim 35 (new) A stand for supporting targets comprising:

a base,
a boot formed within the base, the boot having an opening formed therein,
a vertical support disposed within the boot and extending upwardly from the base,
at least one compartment formed in the base juxtapositioned to the boot wherein material may be received in the at least one compartment to stabilize the stand,
a target holder adjustably connected to the vertical support,

means to attach the vertical support to the boot wherein the target holder is aligned in
a vertical plane and a horizontal plane,
means to level the base on uneven surfaces,
wherein the stand is portable and quickly and easily assembled and disassembled to
be carried to and from the firing range.
